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USCUSTOMS:ASCHOLLE(INFO)  
EA/ANP:WGALLAGHER (SUBS)  
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R 170100Z MAY 77  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY SUVA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EWWT, TN

SUBJECT: EXEMPTION FOR TONGAN-FLAG VESSELS FROM PAYMENT  
OF LIGHT MONEY AND SPECIAL TONNAGE TAX

REF: SUVA 0592

1. U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICES ADVISES THAT IT NEEDS FOLLOWING  
STATEMENT FROM KINGDOM OF TONGA IN ORDER TO EXEMPT TONGAN-  
FLAG VESSELS FROM HIGHER TAX RATE: QUOTE THE KINGDOM OF  
TONGA ASSURES THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES THAT  
SINCE JUNE 4, 1970, NO DISCRIMINATING DUTIES OF TONNAGE OR  
IMPOST HAVE BEEN IMPOSED OR LEVIED IN PORTS OF THE KINGDOM  
OF TONGA UPON VESSELS WHOLLY BELONGING TO CITIZENS OF THE  
UNITED STATES, OR UPON THE PRODUCE, MANUFACTURES, OR MER-  
CHANDISE IMPORTED INTO THE KINGDOM OF TONGA IN SUCH  
VESSELS FROM THE UNITED STATES OR FROM ANY FOREIGN COUNTRY.  
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## Message Attributes

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